

STATE OF ARIZONA

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IRENE JACOBS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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Dear Community Partner,

In 2002, the Governor's Volunteer Service Awards were established to acknowledge Arizonans who make a difference through community volunteering to help solve social problems. Over the past five years, 80 individuals, businesses and groups have been recipients of this award. Today, the Governor's Volunteer Service Award is considered the highest award given in support of volunteerism in the State of Arizona.

The Governor's Volunteer Service Awards is a program of the Governor's Commission on Service and Volunteerism. The Commission has been charged with building an ethic of service and volunteerism in the State of Arizona by working in public and private partnerships to strengthen community and improve the quality of life for all. Since 2002, the Volunteer Service Award Program has been funded entirely through corporate and private tax-deductible contributions.

In 2006, the Governor's Volunteer Service Awards Program received a 100% increase in nominations. It is expected that the number will at least double again for 2007, for the 7th Annual Governor's Volunteer Service Awards, the reception for which will be held in April of 2008.

Currently, we are seeking corporate and individual sponsorships for the 7th Annual Governor's Volunteer Service Awards. Sponsorships are tax deductible and range from \$1,000 to \$5,000 and offer a number of benefits of sponsorship detailed in the information accompanying this letter. With your help, the 7th Annual Awards looks to be on track for becoming the largest and most spirited that Arizona has ever seen.

Thank you for considering this request. Through generous sponsorships, it is possible to recognize Arizona's greatest volunteers, to continue to grow the Volunteer Service Awards Program, and to continue to increase awareness of the importance of service and volunteerism in our great state.

If you have any questions or would like additional information regarding this year's Awards Reception, please feel free to call Aaron Fanwick at (602) 542-3495.

Sincerely,

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Robert Shogren Executive Director Courtney Klein

Awards Committee Chairman